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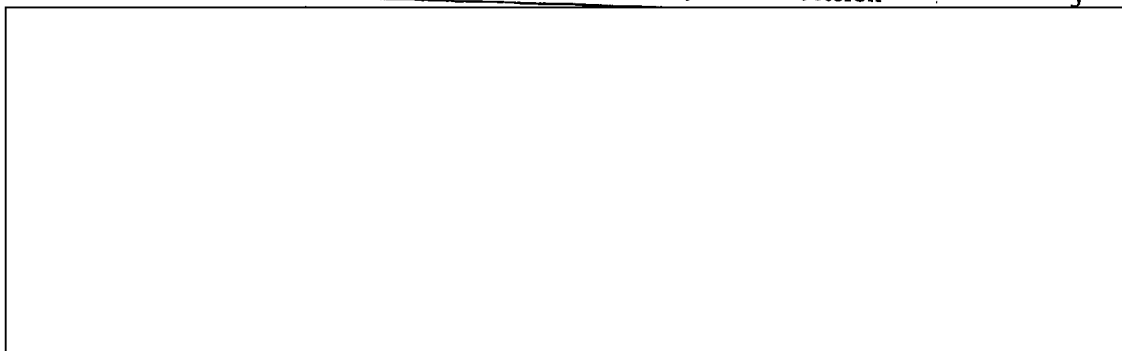
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KAZAKHSTAN: Threatening To Delay NPT Accession

President Nazarbayev is responding negatively to the US request that Kazakhstan accede to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty within three months; he is threatening to follow Ukraine's approach and to delay accession indefinitely. Nazarbayev claims Kazakhstan no longer is bound by the Lisbon Protocol because Russia has asserted unilateral control over all nuclear weapons in the former Soviet Union. He is calling for stronger US security guarantees and wants the US to help Kazakhstan in its economic disputes with Russia, such as Moscow's effort to block the export of oil from Tengiz. [REDACTED]

Comment: Nazarbayev's remarks suggest the prospects for NPT accession by this fall have dimmed. The Kazakhstani leadership believes Ukraine has garnered both attention and promises of financial aid through its foot-dragging. Nazarbayev's implicit threat, however, does not carry the same credibility as Kiev's because the Kazakhs do not have the resources to seize, control, or maintain nuclear forces in their territory. [REDACTED]

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